

Application No. 10/698,757
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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Presently Amended) An edge band assembly, comprising:
an edge band having a wood portion, a protective layer, a first adhesive, and a second adhesive;
wherein the wood portion includinges a first side and a second side located opposite to the first side;
wherein the a selectively removable protective layer is removable;
wherein the a first adhesive layer that is disposed between the protective layer and the first side of the wood portion, wherein the first adhesive layer selectively retains the protective layer to the wood portion and attaches the protective layer to the wood portion, and the first adhesive is at least partially retained on the protective layer as the protective layer is removed from the wood portion the first adhesive layer is removed with the protective layer when then protective layer is removed from the wood portion; and
wherein the a second adhesive layer is disposed on a second side of the wood portion, the second adhesive layer is adapted to at least partially attaches the wood portion to a separate component.

2. (Presently Amended) An edge band assembly as recited in claim 1, wherein the attachment strength of the first adhesive relative to the wood portion is less strong than the attachment strength of the second adhesive relative to the wood portion.

3. (Presently Amended) An edge band assembly as recited in claim 1, wherein the first adhesive is comprised of a material that forms a non-permanent attachment between the wood portion and the protective layer.

4. (Presently Amended) An edge band assembly as recited in claim 1, further comprising a stain that is disposed on the wood portion.

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5. (Presently Amended) An edge band assembly as recited in claim 4, wherein the stain serves to at least partially modify the color of a portion of the wood portion.

6. (Presently Amended) An edge band assembly as recited in claim 5, wherein the stain serves to at least partially neutralize the color of a portion of the wood portion.

7. (Presently Amended) An edge band assembly as recited in claim 1, wherein the protective layer is comprised of a plastic material.

8. (Presently Amended) An edge band assembly as recited in claim 1, wherein the protective layer is comprised of a non-plastic material.

9 – 30. (Canceled)

31. (Presently Amended) An edge band assembly, comprising:
an edge band having a roll of a wood portion, a removable protective layer, and a first adhesive;
wherein the roll of wood portion includes a first side and a second side, wherein at least a portion of the first side is facing at least a portion of the second side; and
a selectively removable protective layer; and
wherein the a first adhesive that is disposed between the protective layer and the first side of the wood portion, wherein the first adhesive selectively removably attaches the protective layer to the wood portion.

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32. (Presently Amended) An edge band assembly as recited in claim 31, further comprising:

a second adhesive disposed on a second side of the wood portion, the second adhesive at least partially attaches the wood portion to a separate component.

33. (Presently Amended) An edge band assembly as recited in claim 31, wherein the first adhesive is comprised of a material that forms a non-permanent attachment to the wood portion.

34. (Presently Amended) An edge band assembly as recited in claim 31, wherein the roll may be selectively unrolled to permit at least a portion of the second side to be selectively attached to a work piece.

35. (Presently Amended) An edge band assembly as recited in claim 31, further comprising a stain disposed on the first side.

36. (Presently Amended) An edge band assembly, comprising:
an edge band having a wood portion, a removable protective layer,
and a first adhesive;
wherein the wood portion includes a first side and a second side; and a stain disposed on or within the first side; and
wherein the a first adhesive that is disposed between the protective layer and the first side of the wood portion, and wherein the first adhesive selectively removably attaches the protective layer to the wood portion.

37. (Presently Amended) An edge band assembly as recited in claim 36, further comprising

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a second adhesive disposed on a second side of the wood portion,
the second adhesive at least partially attaches the wood portion to a separate
component.

38. (Presently Amended) An edge band assembly as recited in claim
36, wherein the stain serves to at least partially modify the color of a portion of
the wood portion.

39. (Presently Amended) An edge band assembly as recited in claim
38, wherein the stain serves to at least partially neutralize the color of a portion of
the wood portion.

41. (Presently Amended) An edge band assembly as recited in claim
38, wherein the first adhesive is comprised of a material that forms a non-
permanent attachment to the wood portion.

42. (Presently Amended) An edge band assembly as recited in claim
36, wherein the first adhesive selectively removably attaches the protective layer
to the wood portion, and the first adhesive is at least partially retained on the
protective layer as the protective layer is removed from the wood portion.